IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation



Inform



To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions

Consult



To obtain public feedback on analysis, alternatives and/or decisions.

Involve



To work directly with the public throughout the process to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered.

Collaborate



To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution.

Empower



To place final decision-making in the hands of the public.

Promise To The Public

Public

Goal

Participation

We will keep you informed

We will keep you informed. listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations, and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.

We will work with vou to ensure that your concerns and aspirations are directly reflected in the alternatives developed and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.

We will look to vou for advice and innovation in formulating solutions and incorporate vour advice and recommendations into the decisions to the maximum extent possible.

We will implement what you decide.

Example Techniques

- Fact sheets
- Web sites
- Open houses
- Public comment
- Focus groups
- Surveys
- Public meetings
- Workshops
- Deliberative polling
- Citizen advisory committees
- Consensus-building
- Participatory decision-making
- Citizen juries
- Ballots
- Delegated decision

